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Colombia: Cartagena Likely Quiet, but Not Rest of Country				
Labor unions plan unauthorized protests in and around Cartagena, but security is tight there, making violent action by insurgent groups or traffickers unlikely within the city limits.  Colombia's insurgent groups—the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) and the National Liberation Army (ELN)—have members in Cartagena, but they mainly are involved in extortion and intelligence, not terrorism.				
The insurgents may carry out violent acts in other areas of Colombia to overshadow President Clinton's visit and discourage US support for Plan Colombia. they may target US personnel or installations.				
— Bases at which US personnel are stationed—such as those at Larandia, Tres Esquinas, and San Jose del Guaviare—may be attractive targets, but because they are relatively well defended, large-scale assaults would risk high insurgent casualties, making harassment more likely.				
— The FARC has warned US trainers to abandon the Larandia airbase area in southern Colombia				